

JUDGE STUART'S RAPs RESENTED AT ROTARY CLUB

Supt. Forbes and Gen. Johnson Retort When He Mentions Them Slightly

Superintendent Forbes is the leader of the Hot Air Zeppelins. Sam Johnson is general of the Filipino Brigade, and Prince Kuhio is the champion political surfer of the world, said Circuit Judge T. B. Stuart in the course of his remarks today at the Rotary Club luncheon. His topic was supposed to be a commission form of government for the territory of Hawaii.

The judge was an invited guest, but both Forbes and Johnson jumped to their feet to reply. Forbes said: "Didn't you ask Prince Kuhio to run for governor?" The judge replying affirmatively, Mr. Forbes retorted: "You've got a lot of gall then to talk this way about him now."

Gen. Johnson took the floor to explain his idea of preparedness, and in how efficient a manner the National Guard of the territory is trained to share in that preparedness. Ed Towse and Marston Campbell, assisted by President S. S. Paxson, spoke a few words in order to relieve the high tension in which the club suddenly found itself.

Judge Stuart said in part: "Since annexation we have issued and sold bonds of between eight and nine million dollars, and when McCarthy disposes of the \$1,500,000 that he is about to offer, we will have between nine and ten million dollars of outstanding bonds. We are running on borrowed money."

"We have expended since annexation in taxes and money from bonds, nearly \$60,000,000. A year or so ago one of our chief bankers declared the territory insolvent. It is claimed that over 80 per cent of our expenditures have gone into overhead charges. What have we to show for this vast expenditure of money?"

Speaking of the immigration of Filipinos, and stating that "nearly all of our criminals come from the introduction of this peon class and the larger portion of the criminals are Filipinos," Judge Stuart continued:

"I do not wish to criticize the Planter's Association. Let us try to convert our erring brothers of the association with sound reasoning and prayers and not with abuse."

He added that, since annexation, the public offices here have "been kept in the hands of a chosen few. The inside workings of these offices the public knows nothing about, except as we occasionally realize that the sum total cost of our territorial government is not only excessive but alarming."

Judge Stewart declared he had no intention whatever of hurting the governor's feelings.

"But," he added, "it does seem that he has gone drift after military glory, with Gen. Sam Johnson in command of a Filipino army and Admiral Josh Tucker of the navy, and Pasha Forbes of the hot air Zeppelins."

"What do you think would become of this outfit in a three-minute round with the Japs, with whom the commander-in-chief says he expects trouble?"

"Seriously, my friends, we have never had less cause for alarm in the last 50 years than we have at present. No nation on earth desires trouble with us; but they are all very much more polite to us than we are to them. There can be no objection to military education in the schools. It makes better men out of our boys in every respect."

"Do these conditions convince you that we should have a change in our government?"

Brig. Gen. Samuel I. Johnson of the National Guard, Charles R. Forbes, superintendent of public works, and Marston Campbell were among those who arose at the end of the talk to take sides against Judge Stuart's contentions. Forbes said he was of the opinion that Judge Stuart was making improper statements, while Gen. Johnson, with a show of heat, remarked, in effect, that Judge Stuart's old age was the only thing protecting him.

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LITTLE CHANCE OF SPALDING LICENSE FOR KAUAI RIGHTS

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The small consumer in this case would be paying six times as much as the large consumer.

It is furthermore pointed out that there is no provision whereby the homesteader must be first served, though the license speaks repeatedly of doing something for the homesteaders' benefit.

Section 5 provides that the licensee shall handle the water to the homesteader and handle also the accounts, but no provision is made whereby the accounts shall be filed with the government or for any representative of homesteader or government to check on the licensee's figures.

Many Rights—No Taxation.

Sections 6 and 7 of the license provides that all reservoirs, dams, water ditches, pipe lines, tunnels, flumes or other contributories belonging to the government or that may become the property of the government by reversion or otherwise shall be a part of the property turned over to the licensee during the life of the license—20 years—but without ownership, title or responsibility for payment, rental or taxation, except as provided by the license, and the contention of those who have studied the license is that throughout the document the licensee has shrewdly provided against any such payment or taxation.

This point—the avoidance of any taxes and liability or responsibility for property turned over completely for 20 years—is one of the main objections seen to this document as square against good public policy.

Railroad Rights.

Section 7 provides for the construction and operation of a railroad between certain points on condition that the government grants to the licensee the right to take possession of and hold and use all railways, tracks, switches, etc., belonging to any and all railways or railway lines on government lands within the boundaries of the land named, belonging to or that may become the property of the government by reversion or otherwise, for the 20 years of the license, with the right to a 100-foot strip over government lands for a right of way.

Kauai people claim that this provision is put forward to give Kealia certain government reservoirs, siphons and railways costing something more than \$40,000, all of such property acquired to be free of any taxation or other payment, and it is further charged that the railroad rates could be made only with the approval of the licensee.

Under Section 8, the document leaves it entirely to the licensee to determine their successors, if any, the government apparently having nothing to say in the matter, and further it is made obligatory on the government to approve such change of license immediately.

Under Section 10 and other sections, the licensee has the right to make advances in order to get possession of and hold the water. These expenditures and advances, with interest, are made a first lien against the collections and revenues from the sales of water.

Will the Territory Realize a Deficit?

Right here is one of the main points of protest. It is claimed that the territory may be put in the position of owing Kealia at the end of 20 years some \$615,000 plus interest. These figures are arrived at in this way:

Engineers have estimated that it would cost about \$400,000 to develop and impound 30,000,000 gallons daily. Interest on this at 6 per cent would be \$24,000 a year. A sinking fund of two and one-half per cent would be \$10,000 more per annum. Operating expenses have been figured at \$5000, maintenance and repairs at \$4000, a total initial expenditure of \$400,000, and a total annual expense of about \$46,000.

It is figured that the revenues from the homesteaders and other consumers would be about \$15,243 per annum, resulting in an annual deficit of over \$30,000. In 26 years, with interest, the deficit would be about \$615,000 with interest, and this, it is charged, the government would owe the licensee under the license as proposed.

In any event, under Section 10, the government's share would only be possible after all fixed charges and incidental expenses are paid, including interest on advances, and the licensee would be able to avoid any payment to the government by running up these charges and expenses to a large figure.

Under the section the licensee turns over all rights for 20 years, but the licensee avoids financial responsibility by stipulating that it is merely agent for the licensee.

No Public Control of Rates.

In the matter of rates, it is pointed out emphatically that the licensee gets out from under any control by the utilities commission, both as to railroad rates and rates for water.

Furthermore, under Section 12, the licensee could forever avoid accepting rates if it did not desire because it could claim that any rates it did not desire were to its "detriment," and under the license it could not be forced to accept such rates while any moneys, costs, interest, etc., remained unpaid. Such a condition, it is claimed, could be continued throughout the life of the license.

Some of the general objections made are that the territory is tied up tight while the licensee may get out at any time it sees fit; that the homesteaders and the government would have no control over the action of the licensee once the document was signed; and that in exchange for the valuable rights granted under the license, the territory is likely to get nothing but a row and a deficit.

HAWAII'S GUARD STANDS SIXTH IN ENTIRE COUNTRY

Results of Territory-Wide Inspection Just Concluded Are Gratifying

That the National Guard of Hawaii has set new records for the organized militia of the entire country to shoot at, and that the territory's military establishment has made strides toward adequate preparedness that will outdistance even the top-notch militia organizations of the states, is a fact established by figures and statistics taken in connection with the federal inspection of the citizen-soldier. Every year the War Department orders a thorough inspection of the organized militia maintained by the several states and territories. Personnel, equipment, transportation, supplies and records are counted and checked, and when it is all over there is very little that the Division of Militia Affairs in Washington doesn't know about National Guard conditions, the reports of the inspecting officer being complete to the last detail.

This federal inspection period extends from January 1 to March 31 of each year. With the National Guard of Hawaii so widely distributed between the four main islands of the group, and with a single officer detailed to make all inspections, almost the entire three months was required to complete the work.

The results in Hawaii's case are most gratifying, and Adjutant General Johnson and the various regimental and company commanders have every reason to be satisfied with the showing made.

When the exact figures are made public they will show that Hawaii, with a guard of more than 5000 men at the present time, turned out over 90 per cent of the entire strength for the inspecting officer. This is a record that only one state—New York—which makes a specialty of its military forces, and which appropriates hundreds of thousands of dollars for the militia—equaled, on last year's figures.

Hawaii Stands Sixth.

In total strength of its organized militia, Hawaii now stands an easy sixth out of 49 National Guards. Only New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Illinois and Ohio maintain large guards, and the last named three led by so small a margin that it is probable that with the addition of coast artillery and possibly more infantry on Oahu, Hawaii will take third place. Last year Hawaii stood 41 out of 49 as to total strength.

Hawaii's big National Guard boom is due to the expressed desire of the War Department for increased militia strength here.

"Department anxious Hawaii maintain increased militia strength and efficiency. Territory owes it to itself and national government to do this. Suggest you present matter to legislature."

That was the cabled message of former Secretary of War Garrison to Governor Pinkham February 17, 1915. The story of Brig. Gen. Samuel I. Johnson's whirlwind recruiting campaign, started soon after he took office as the adjutant general, is generally familiar. The results of this campaign are shown by the federal inspection just closed.

"We have the men now, and the enthusiasm," said Gen. Johnson in discussing guard matters with a Star-Bulletin reporter. "It means plenty of hard work from now on to get the efficiency, but that is what we are looking for. Full equipment will be here within a short time, as the War Department intends to recognize and equip all organizations which the territory can recruit and maintain. With plenty of rifle ranges, good instructors from the regular army and well trained officers the guard should make great strides toward efficiency in the present year. It is to a large extent a recruit organization now. Before the year is out I hope to see a well-balanced guard of trained men."

The inspections for the federal government were made this year by Col. Charles S. Lincoln, inspector-instructor. Col. Lincoln occupies a dual position in the National Guard of Hawaii, by virtue of special permission from the secretary of war. He was detailed as inspector-instructor when a captain in the 24th U. S. Infantry, and was then commissioned colonel in the National Guard by the governor, and given command of the 1st Infantry, N. G. H.

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Parents of Punahou students who must be out of town during the spring term may leave their children in charge of Punahou Boarding Department. For information call 1058 or write to Stanley Livingston, Director.—Adv.

A decree of divorce has been granted by Circuit Judge Stuart in the case of Sai Hiroi vs. Teunji Hiroi, alimony being fixed at \$15 a month until further notice by the court.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

A meeting of the members of Honolulu Lodge, Order of Phoenix, will be held at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

Mrs. Mary Wong Tong has instituted divorce proceedings against her husband, Wong Tong, on grounds of non-support.

Henry Freitas, building inspector, reports 144 building permits, with an estimated valuation of \$244,356, issued during March.

The members of the University of California Club will hold its annual meeting and banquet at the University Club on Wednesday of next week.

The regular monthly meeting of the Free Kindergarten and Children's Aid Association will be held at the Library of Hawaii on Friday, April 7, at 9:30 o'clock a. m.

Robert K. Wilcox, son of "Princess" Theresa Wilcox-Belliveau, and Miss Helen K. Wilburton will shortly be married, they having obtained a license yesterday.

A public concert and dance will be held at the public baths, Kapiolani Park, Waikiki, this evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The Hawaiian Band will furnish the music.

The annual meeting of the Hawaiian Mission Children's Society will be held on Saturday afternoon, April 15, probably in the new Mission Memorial building in King street.

The lot used by the division of entomology for a fumigating house on Kilauea street, mauka Allen street, has been formally set aside for its use by an order of the governor, signed today.

Friday, April 14, at 9 o'clock in the morning has been set for the hearing of a petition of the Guardian Trust Company to sell property of the estate of H. M. Kanho. The hearing will be in Judge Whitney's court.

Plans for a handsome two-story frame residence are being prepared by Emory & Webb, architects, for A. N. Campbell. Mr. Campbell's new home will be situated in Pensacola street beyond Wilder avenue.

Harry T. Mills was denied reinstatement to the local bar in a decision handed down yesterday by the supreme court. Mills had asked in his petition that the court set aside its judgment of disbarment made in October, 1905.

Circuit Judge Whitney has approved the sale last Saturday of "Nanea Villa," the Kaimuki home of the late John Byron Mercer, to David H. Lewis or order, for \$13,250. The sale was made by the Guardian Trust Company, commissioner.

The contract for concrete paving in the extension of Liholih street, which is through the Allen tract, mauka of Wilder avenue, and between Kewalo street and the Makiki fire station, was let this week by the Henry Waterhouse Trust Company.

Plans for the Newell wharf, under consideration for some time, were approved at yesterday's meeting of the harbor board. Tenders will be called for immediately and the work pushed ahead as rapidly as possible, members of the board said yesterday.

Taxation of the plaintiff's bill of costs to the amount of \$24.50 were allowed by the supreme court today in the case of C. M. Hite vs. Angus McPhee.

Figures compiled by Auditor James Bicknell showing the expenditures of the commission investigating the available water supply of the city reveal a total of \$4833.79. This does not include the salaries and expenses for March, which will probably amount to about \$500, while \$29,000 was appropriated for the work.

W. E. Pietsch, mentioned in a news story yesterday as having been one of those leasing the Opera House for special services, is not connected with the movement in any way. He has nothing to do with the lectures to be given there, he made it plain today.

Miss Minnie Soares and George W. Bigler were married last night at the Church of the Sacred Hearts, Punahou, Rev. Father Stephen performing the ceremony. The witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Garrido and F. B. Fernandez was best man. The couple are spending their honeymoon at the Haleiwa hotel.

"Mountains of Oahu" will be the subject of the illustrated lecture by Prof. Vaughan MacCaughy of the College of Hawaii at the Young Men's Christian Association this evening. Prof. MacCaughy will discuss the natural history of the mountain ranges of this island, showing slides and telling of the bird, animal and plant life in the hills. The lecture will be given in Cooke hall at 8 o'clock and is open to members of the association and their friends. Men visitors in the city are invited to attend.

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